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ITALIAN FOULLY MURDERED NEAR RAVENSCROFT, WHITE COUNTY.

Sparta, Tenn. March 7.—Meager reports of what seems to be a foul murder, committed in the vicinity of Ravenscroft near the Putnam-White County line, have been received here. The body of the victim, a young Italian named Dominco Molinari, has been brought here following an inquest by a coroner's jury, whose verdict was that he came to his death at unknown hands the result of a pistol shot, and that the body had been placed at the spot where found.

While in the army a friendship developed between Melinari and Ben Austin of Ravenscroft and he came here on a visit to Austin some weeks ago. They with others came to Sparta on Feb. 22, returning home on the evening train. Molinari left the Austin home sometime that night and was not seen again by the family.

A younger brother of Ben Austin's states that the young Italian had wanted to go out that evening to get some whiskey, but they prevailed on him not to go. Sometime in the night he had gotten up partially dressed, went out and did not return.

The body was found ten days later near the Austin home, having been placed there the day before being found as evidenced by the fact that parties had passed the spot the day before and the body was not there. Also, his clothes were perfectly dry, although there had been quite a rain the night before.

The body had been placed so as to leave a suicide theory, but while the bullet entered the right temple the pistol was placed practically in the left hand, it is said.

There are rumors here that the dead man had from \$1,200 to \$1,500 in cash on his person, but the Austin boys say if he did they knew nothing of it. He is said to have inquired while staying at a Sparta hotel, where there was a savings bank. Inquiries at the banks here develop the fact that he made no deposits. \$3 was on his person when found.

Various theories are advanced and many rumors are afloat concerning the crime. One theory is that he may have gone out after whiskey and been mistaken for a revenue officer and shot, but lived some days and the body taken to where it was found near the Austin home.

Hints are thrown out of some interesting developments within the next few days from clues now being developed.

The only known relative in this country is a sister in Seattle, Wash., who has replied that she can not come at this time. The young man was a native of Italy. His father recently died and his mother still lives there. He was an ex-soldier in the late war.

In many respects the recent crime is similar to a mysterious murder committed at the same place less than two years ago. No details of the previous murder were ever learned, although the victim was finally identified.

—Tennessean.

Rev. J. L. Smotherman Celebrates 54 Birthday.

Rev. J. L. Smotherman celebrated his 54th birthday last Thursday, Feb. 24th. For Mrs. Smotherman prepared a sumptuous dinner, the table being loaded with numerous good things to eat. Among the guests present to enjoy the occasion were Rev. and Mrs. M. N. Ford, Rev. and Mrs. Orin Lynch, Rev. and Mrs. S. R. Bratcher and Mrs. T. Riley Davis, of Carthage; and Rev. Joe Barbee, the veteran engineer of the T. C. Railroad. Rev. T. Riley Davis, the other Carthage preacher, was not at home at the time or he would have been present. Time was very pleasantly spent in talking of the numerous interesting incidents of the past, and the good feast was enjoyed. The guests wish for Rev. Smotherman many more happy birthday anniversaries.

For the past 35 years Rev. Smotherman has been laboring as a minister of the Methodist church in this section, and during this time has done an untold amount of good for the Master and the church. He has always put his soul, life and energy into his ministerial work and has wielded a great influence for good. He has won especial distinction in that he has promoted the construction of more church buildings than any other minister, perhaps, in the upper Cumberland section. Scores of churches have erected as the result of his energies. These buildings are to be found scattered all the way from Lebanon to Pall Mall, in Fentress county, the home of the famous war hero, Alvin C. York, his second year of pastorate being at Pall Mall, the year York was born, and York's father-in-law was a steward in the church there at that time.

With the exception of one year, Rev. Smotherman's work has been in the Lebanon district, a longer time to serve in one district than any other, with the exception of Revs. Lynch and Ford, who have done their many years of preaching in this district. There are but very few cemeteries or graveyards in the Lebanon district in which Rev. Smotherman has not conducted funeral services over the remains of departed friends.

His hundred and hundred of friends wish him many more years of usefulness in his great work. —Carthage Courier.

Rev. Smotherman has a large number of friends in Jackson county. He served the Gainesboro charge for four years and it was during this time that the legal Methodist church was built. While serving this charge Rev. Smotherman lived at Dycus

Heart Felt Religion Is Out-of-date in Detroit.

Detroit, Mich. Feb. 26, 1921.

Dear Editor:

I enjoy reading the Sentinel and am always glad to get it. The issue of Feb. 17th was especially enjoyed, as it contained the sermon on the "Prodigal Son." I don't know the man who wrote the sermon or to what church he belonged to, but it was a good one. I set in a cushioned pew in an M. E. church

here on Sunday, but I don't hear anything like that sermon. I am an old fashioned Methodist and believe in heart felt religion, but that kind is out of date here.

I was born near Granville, Jackson county, Feb. 12, 1853. I left the county in 1873 and have worked hard all my life. During this time I have worked for my board only and for \$7.00 per month and as high as \$210 per month. I ran a locomotive for more than 30 years. At present I am making \$5.00 per day and have been in Detroit most four years and have not lost a day, (Sunday not excepted), only when I take a vacation once a year. My home is in Caneyville, Ky., and my family is second to none.

I read the Dudley Hill school report and think it good. I was specially interested in the report, as it contained the names of several Pharris children. Some of these may be relatives of mine, as my grand-father was Jim Pharris that lived near Granville. Hope to hear from them again, and other correspondents.

J. W. Jones,
606 N. Elliott St.,
Detroit, Mich.

How Much Can I Pay For Feeder Pigs?

This question is asked by many feeders of hogs every day. It is difficult to tell how much to pay for feeder pigs unless you have an idea of what it costs you to put on a pound of pork. If you are not economical feeder you can pay more for feeder pigs than the feeder who is unprepared and uneconomical. The feeder who has corn and green feed can feed pigs with profit and pay the present market price for pigs.

The old rule was that a farmer can feed 50 cents corn to 5 cent hogs. Today we have 10 cent hogs and corn is less than one dollar per bushel. Figuring on the basis of 12 bushels of corn producing 100 pounds of pork, or approximately 7 pounds of corn to one pound of pork when corn alone is fed. Or \$9.60 for 12 bushels of corn. This will insure 80 cents for corn plus the cost of marketing hogs, or \$4.00 per bbl, or \$28.80 per ton for corn when sold thru the hogs. In other words, according to present market prices of hogs and corn this is the most profitable way to feed hogs by the use of green feed.

The Kentucky Station says, "Pork can be produced with green feed on the basis of 4 pounds of corn to one pound of pork." This same record has been made with corn and crimson clover in Franklin County with hogs under ordinary farm conditions. In Virginia pork has been produced on clover for four cents per lb. If the farmers has provided feed it is conservative to say that one third the corn, were corn alone is fed, may be saved. Green feed is the cheapest pork producer we have. Besides green feed contains protein, protein produces growth. The average feeder uses too much corn. This stunts the growth of pigs and results in unprofitable production. Corn produces fat; protein growth. There is one dollar's difference in price of light pigs and heavy pigs on today's market (Feb. 19) A difference of \$2.50 between light pigs and medium hogs. I

see no reason why good money cannot be made in buying feeder pigs at market prices today. This same condition has been before our eyes for the past two months. I find farmers who have Green feed but are not utilizing it because pigs root. Feed the pigs a protein feed or give them green feed or ring them and they will stop rooting.

Parent-Teacher Program.

Song—America the Beautiful.
Devotional Exercise—Rev. K. A. Early.

Reading—Celia Crawford Morgan.

Relation of Home to school—Mrs. F. Gaines and Miss. Otha Smith.

Piano Solo—Elizabeth Tardy.
Sketch of Edgar Allan Poe—Miss Vivian Cooper.

Need of Music in School—Mrs. James Draper and Miss Bolen.

Reading—Ara Meadows.
Vocal Solo—Harry Page.

Reading—Mrs. Chester Midgett.

Instrumental Duet—Misses Bolen and Hughs.

Reading—Ethel Anderson.

Value of High School Meet—Jackson and McMinn. Followed by general discussion.

Blanche Tinsley, Sec.

All members are urged to attend this meeting.

Primary Honor Roll.

Honor Roll for week ending Friday March 4th, of the primary department.

Edward Gailbreath.
Will Grundy Quarles
Meadows Montgomery
Bruce T. Settle
Harry Tardy
James Draper
Ralph McCawley
Faye Smith
Elise Raggio.
Irona Smyth
Ada Ann McDearman
Joy Gailbreath
Ada Sue Quarles
Mattie Clay Roberts
Minnie Maberry
Roy McCawley
Herbert Anderson
Bill Wooten
Joe Roark
Raymond Spivey

Lola Hughes,
Teacher.

Birthday Honored.

A charming affair of Saturday afternoon, March 5th, was the birthday party given by Mrs. J. M. Draper at her home on College street for her little daughter, Margaret Elizabeth, who has passed her fourth milestone.

The parlor room was beautifully decorated. The central ornament was a large birthday cake on which burned the significant number of tapers, and the attractive favors were emblems of the Easter season.

Those enjoying this delightful occasion were: Elise Raggio, Ada Sue Quarles, Ruth Frances Gist, Paula Draper, Ada Ann McDearman, Joy Gailbreath, Ralph McCawley and H. Grady Gore, Jr.

Later in the afternoon Mrs. Draper took the little tots for an auto ride.

Income Tax Facts You Should Know.

The Bureau of Internal Revenue has innumerable sources for checking up persons who fail or "willfully refuse" to file an income tax return and pay the amount of tax due.

One of these is "the information at source" provision of the revenue act which requires that reports must be made by all persons, trustees, guardians, fiduciaries, and by partnerships, personal service corporations and organizations, of payments to others during the year 1920 of \$1,000 or more. A separate return of information for each employee whose salary is \$1,000 or more is required of employers. The return must show the name and address of each recipient and the amount paid.

These information returns which are filed with the Commissioner of Internal Revenue at Washington, D. C., are carefully checked with the returns of individual income. If John Doe, who has received a salary of \$1,000 or more during the year 1920, has failed to report this payment in his personal return, he will hear from the collector of internal revenue.

Thousands of delinquents have been discovered and penalties and taxes aggregating hundreds of thousands of dollars have been collected as the result of this audit.

Work On Lock 8 Will Begin at Early Date.

The deed to the land, purchased for the construction of Lock 8, near West Point, Tenn., has been signed by the owner, J. W. Hines, and work will be started within the next few days. It was announced yesterday by Major J. L. Schley, local United States engineer.

On account of a technicality the signing of the deed was delayed for several weeks after the deal was agreed to by Mr. Hines.

The construction of the lock will call for the expenditure of approximately \$750,000, Major Schley said. —Tennessean.

Teachers' Examination.

I have just received a letter from the State Department of Education, stating that the next regular examination for teachers will be May 20 and 21, 1921.

I hope that there will be a sufficient number take this examination to supply us with enough teachers to teach our schools out during the summer and fall months, as this is the most suitable time for schools in this section.

Estelle Gailbreath,
County Supt.

MEAGSVILLE.

Joe Murphy has returned from Hilham, where he has been attending school.

Chester Moss is confined to his bed with rheumatism.

Grace and Bessie Hall spent the week-end with Sallie and Winnie Crowder.

Stant Moss and wife, Aunt Jane Moss and Mrs. O. L. Scantland spent Sunday with Mrs.

FREEMAN CROWDER YOUNG EST BUYER TO VISIT NASHVILLE MARKET.

Freeman Crowder, age 13 years, was among the buyers visiting the Nashville market last week, and he demonstrated to the local wholesalers that he is thoroughly capable of taking care of himself when it comes to buying merchandise. He knew just what he wanted, and was quick to recognize quality and price.

Young Crowder's father, T. F. Crowder, a prominent merchant of Gainesboro, had planned to come to Nashville himself, but at the last moment was prevented from doing so and sent his young son, Freeman, as a representative. Freeman made the trip to Nashville on the steamer J. Horton Fall, and says he likes Nashville so well that he is coming back again. While in Nashville Mr. Crowder was the guest of Mont Comer of Harris, Davis & Co.

Perhaps Nashville is the only city in the United States that can boast of having entertained a buyer so young in years, and this city is justly proud of this distinction. It is concrete evidence of the confidence in which her manufacturers and wholesalers are held by the merchants of the South. This boy while here placed large orders for merchandise with local wholesalers, and he did as well as his father could have done, and that's saying a whole lot. —Periscope, Nashville Banner.

Wade Buck.

Frank Hall has returned from Nashville, where he has been attending school.

A. J. Murphy visited his brother, W. C. Murphy at Hilham. Winton Whitaker and wife, spent the week-end with the latter's sister Mrs. Calvin Mabry.

Morgan Loftis was the guest of Comer Cherry.

Harry Smith and wife, attended the singing at Hurricane Sunday.

Melvin Allen and family spent the latter part of the week with Bill Cherry and family.

Barlow Spivey and family Franklin Spivey and family, Roof Moss and O. L. Scantland spent Sunday with uncle John Spivey and wife.

Morgan Murphy and wife and Mrs. Bent Smith visited Fate Moss and wife.

Elna Hamilton is visiting her aunt, Mrs. G. W. Chapman on Roaring river.

Major Fann and wife visited Tandy Smith and wife.

Jessie Cason and wife spent Sunday with his parents, Tandy Cason and wife.

Bertha Murphy and Bill Moss spent Sunday with the Misses Moss's.

Inez Hamilton, Ara and Opal Moss, Elen Shepherd, Alice Scantland, Claud Huff, Herald, Derewood and Raggo Stafford, Walter Flynn, Harlin Loftis, Elbert and Vane Hall and Joe Murphy spent Sunday with Ruby and Sarah Whitaker.

Hubert Moss and wife sister Ara spent Thursday night with Willie Moss.

Martha & Maggie Flynn spent the week-end with home folks.